

Salute Veterans on Valentine's Day

We invite schools, service groups and the public to participate in activities during the National Salute to Veteran Patients from February 10 - February 15.

Individuals or groups wishing to visit or deliver Valentine's Day cards to Veteran patients should contact the voluntary service office at 859-233-4511 ext. 5280 or ext. 4930.

The National Salute is observed annually during the week of Valentine's Day as an expression of honor and appreciation to inpatient and outpatient Veterans. The nationally syndicated column started by Ann Landers historically devoted a column to the National Salute, asking readers to send Valentine cards and letters to hospitalized Veterans at VA medical centers. More than a million cards and letters are sent to VA patients each year during the National Salute.

"National Salute to Veteran Patients gives everyone a chance to remind Veterans their sacrifices are not forgotten," says Emma Metcalf, Medical Center Director. According to Metcalf, volunteers are an important part of the Lexington VA Medical Center health care team and National Salute is a great way for people to learn more about helping Veterans. "You can join our activities by scheduling a time to visit Veteran patients and deliver Valentine's Day cards and letters," says Metcalf. "It's a great way to show appreciation and gratitude for our nation's patriots." For more information, please contact our voluntary service office at 859-233-4511 ext. 5280 or ext. 4930.